The Central Biological Control Station, Bhubaneswar has mass-reared potential parasites and predators and release 64 lakhs, 88 lakh3 and 138 lakhs parasites and predators during 1985-80, 1986-87 and 1987-88, respectively, against rice stem borei and leaf folder, coconut black headed caterpillar, sugarcane borers and pyrilla and water hyacinth weed, thereby reducing the dependence on pesticides.

**Cases under Employees' Provident Fund Act pending in Bihar**

440. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of cases under the Employees' Provident Fund Act are pending in Bihar causing hardships to the workers;

(b) if so, what is the number of such pending cases and the period of their pendency; and

(c) whether Government are contemplating formation of any Special Court in that State for early disposals of these cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER.): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The total number of prosecution cases launched under the Employees' Provident Fund Act, which were pending in the Bihar Region as on 31 3.87 was 7,124, as Per break up given below:—

| | Less than 6 months | 6 months to l yr. | 1 to 2yr. | 2 yrs.and more | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Provide at Fund | 237 | 205 | 92 | 5184 | 5718 |
| Family Pension | 16 | 62 | | 810 | 888 |
| E.D.L.I. . | 140 | 30 | 66 | 282 | 518 |
| TOTAL: | 393 | 297 | 158 | 6276. | 7124 |

(c) Yes, Sir. The OBT, EP Fund have decided to set up a Special Court in Bihar, for trial • of Provident Fund cases.

**Allocation for Construction of Roads in Tribal Areas**

441, SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUA-SEM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Rs-G.50 crores were allotted during the 6th Five Year Plan for construction of rural roads in tribal areas;

(b) if so, what is -the State-wise break-up; and

(c) the amount released so far to the States during the 7th Plan; and State-wise?

THE MINISTE OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANAR-DHAN POOJARI); (a) to (c) Against the provision of Rs. 6.50 crores in the Sixth Plan, 8 States were sanctioned works costing Rs. 13.54 crores and an amount of Rs. 4.0 crores was actually released to them base on their requirement of funds. No allocation of funds as such was made

During Vllth Plan (period, works costing Rs, 3.12 crores ware also sanctioned to some additional States which were not sanctioned any works earlier. A Statement showing the cost of the works sanctioned and the funds released to the States (State-wise) during the .Sixth Plan and the Seventh Plan so far (1985,86) is attached.

Statement

*Development of Roads in Tribal Areas-cost of Works sanctioned and funds released*

(Rs . in lakhs)

| S.No. | State | | Cost of works sanctioned | Funds released | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | 6th Plan | 1985-88 |
| 1 | Bihar | | 133-27 | 32.80 | 48.00 |
| 2 | Gujarat | | 143.0O | 30.00 | 82-34 |
| 3 | Himachal Pradesh . | | 100.37 | 51.33 | 4515 |
| 4 | Madhya Pradesh . | | 428.45 | 148.30 | 214-90 |
| 5 | Manipur | | 256.2 | 40.00 | 146.87 |
| 6 | Orissa | | 196 44 | 61-00 | 120.630 |
| 7 | Rajasthan | | 51 26 | 33 57 | 17 70 * |
| 8 | Tamil Nadu | TOTAL (A) | 45 00 | 3.00 | 40.72 |
| | | | 1353 91 | 400.00 | 716.31 |
| 1 | Ardhra Pradesh | | 73 70 | | 63.33 |
| 2 | Assam . | | 20 00 | | 10.45 |
| 3 | Karnataka | | 55 86 | | 29.12 |
| 4 | Kerala . . | | 13 50 | | 6.98 |
| 5 | Maharashtra | | 69.99 | | 22 00. |
| 6 | Rajasthan | | 35.85 | | 27 83 |
| 7 | Sikkim . | | 10 50 | | 10.50 |
| 8 | Tripura | | 13 44 | | 7-16 . |
| 9 | West Bengal | | 18 99 | | 4 60 |
| | | TOTAL (B) | 311 83 | | *181-97* |
| | Gond TOTAL (A+B) | | 1665.74 | 400 .00) | 858 28 |